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IN REPLY REPER TO

5720 Ser SEA 00A5/DON-NAVY-2013-000124 January 30, 2018

Ms. Rose Santos FOIA Group, Inc. PO Box Depew, NY 14043

SUBJECT: YOUR FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT CASE DON-NAVY-2013-000124

Dear Ms. Santos:

This is a final response to your October 20, 2012, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request in which you seek a copy of contract N00024-11-C-5301 and the most recently conformed modification P00009.

A thorough search of this Headquarters files was conducted, specifically those files located in the Contracts Directorate (SEA 02). Knowledgeable personnel with that office were able to locate the requested contract documents.

I considered your request under the FOIA 10 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, and Secretary of the Navy Instruction 5720.42F. After a careful review of documents responsive to your request, it was determined that the information you are seeking would not be releasable under exemptions (b)(3), (b)(4) and (b)(6) of the FOIA.

FOIA subsection (b)(3) requires the withholding of information prohibited from disclosure by another statute provided that the statute "(A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on the issue or (B) establishes a particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld."

10 U.S.C. 130 and the Department of Defense (DoD) implementing directive, DoD Directive 5230.25, prohibit the disclosure of technical data with military or space application in the possession of, or under the control of, the Department of

Defense, if such data may not be exported lawfully outside the United States with an approval, authorization, or license under the Arms Export Control Act. 10 U.S.C. § 130 is an exemption 3 statute.

FOIA subsection (b) (4) protects confidential business information, the disclosure of which would likely cause substantial competitive harm to the source or would impair the government's ability to obtain similar information in the future.

Subsection (b)(6) protects information that relates to Federal employees that is personal in nature that may be withheld if its release would cause an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Since some portions of the documents you have requested contain information that is prohibited from public disclosure for the reasons stated above, I am partially denying your FOIA request.

I am the official responsible for the decision regarding your request. Should you decide to file an appeal, it must be received within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter and should contain a copy of your original requests, a copy of this letter, and a statement indicating why you think your appeal should be granted. Attach a copy of this letter to the appeal and mark the appeal and the envelope "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Mail the original to:

The Department of the Navy Office of the General Counsel Attn: FOIA APPEALS 1000 Navy Pentagon, Room 5A532 Washington, DC 20350-1000.

Please mail a copy of the appeal to:

Commander Naval Sea Systems Command (SEA 00A5) 1333 Isaac Hull Ave SE Washington Navy Yard, DC 20376-1021

As an alternative to filing an appeal, you may seek Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR). You may submit your request for ADR either to DONFOIA-PA@navy.mil or you can call the Navy FOIA Service Center at 202-685-0214 or via the following address:

Chief of Naval Operations (DNS-36) Attn: FOIA/PA Service Center c/o - Head, SECNAV/CNO FOIA/PA Program Office 2000 Navy Pentagon Washington, DC 20350-2000

Fees for processing your request have been waived in this instance. However, fees are assessed on a case-by-case basis and you may be charged fees on future requests.

If you have any questions concerning the foregoing, please contact Ms. Ginger Dolan at 202-781-3359.

Sincerely,

AVIER MARTINEZ

Initial Denial Authority

Enclosures:

N0002411C5301 Basic and Modification P00009